

Agenda
Warren Selectboard
Tuesday, August 25, 2015
Rescheduled from August 11, 2015
Warren Municipal Building
7:00 PM

- ✓ 7:00 PM – Highway – Check In - Rae Weston, Road Foreman
- ✓ 7:30 PM - Warren Fire Department – Charitable Donations/Updates
Golf Course
- ✓ 8:00 PM – Report from Slide Brook & Drumleys on Resolution
- ✓ 8:10 PM – Civil Ordinance – Pay as You Throw Solid Waste Collection
Mandated by the Agency of Natural Resources/ACT 148
- 8:20 PM - Approval of Minutes of July 28, 2015
- 8:21 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants
116,172.44 31,555.73
- 8:30 PM – Other Business

*Agenda Subject to Change**

Posted: 8/19/2015

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Members Present: Andrew Cunningham, Chair, Bob Ackland, Vice Chair, Luke Youmell, Randy Graves & Clay Mays.

Others Present: Tim Seniff, Rachel Goff (VR), Sam (TV 44/45), Mike Wing, Win Smith, Peter Reynolds, Beth Nichols, Margo Wade, Dayna Lisaius, Peter DeFreest, Nick Morehouse, Peter Peff, Dino, Rae Weston & Cindi Jones, Kevin Babic.

7:05 PM – Meeting called to order by Mr. Cunningham.

7:08 PM – Highway Check In – Rae Weston – Mr. Weston started the discussion with mud season where they hauled in 1400 yards of stone. The crew worked nights grading to keep up with the ruts from mud season to keep the roads passable. They changed nine culverts, hauled 1000 yards of gravel, added 2,500 yards to Fuller Hill Road, hydro seeded all ditches, doing various ditch cleaning throughout town, prepped and changed culverts on the newly paved roads that needed it. They are currently working on finishing up Sugarwoods Road, stone lining, cleaning ditches and adding plant mix to establish the road so it could be plowed safely. They plan on ditch cleaning and adding drainage on West Hill Road from the Bradley Brook culvert project to Retriever Run Road and add gravel from Joyce's View to Willow Street in Alpine Village. Mr. Weston reported that German Flats has been completed with the shoulders by Pike Paving and the Warren Highway crew brought all driveways up to road level including the newly paved section of the Access Road and the base on Roxbury Mountain Road. Other work included helping the school haul away old playground structures and other debris from the Warren School, fixing the drainage basins by Flat Iron Road, and other various small projects not anticipated. Mr. Weston also commented that Pike came back and added another layer of asphalt to the Airport Road at no charge to the Town as it did not cure good last year. It will soon be time to get the trucks ready for the plow season.

Golf Course Road Repair – (The sharp "S" Turn coming down from the Access Road) – Two estimates were received by Kingsbury Construction and Geostabilization International. Kingsbury Construction's proposal was for \$136,964.00 which included installing a concrete footing, installing cobble stamped retaining wall blocks with geo grid stabilization textile, bank run gravel backfill and drainage and pave back the road section. Geostabilization International is installing self-drilling super nails and shot crete to stabilize the slope along the roadway with a cost of \$74,500. Sugarbush expressed concern that the work would take place in September and wanted the work delayed until after October 3. The roadway slope is deteriorating to the point that it could collapse to heavy truck traffic. They were also concerned about the aesthetics of the look of the slope stabilization. The quote did include an option for a shot crete sculpted finish for an additional \$28,728.00. The Town did not feel that it was necessary as the main concern is the safety of the traveling public and the road crew that maintains the road.

Mr. Ackland commented that he preferred the Geo Stabilization, as there was warranty on it and it had the least amount of impact for not closing the road. The town has completed five other slope projects with this company.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to hire Geo Stabilization International to proceed with their proposal, with the timing to be after October 3 and to notify Sugarbush if that could or could not happen, second by Mr. Cunningham. All in Favor: Vote: 5-0.

7:30 PM – Warren Fire Dept – Nick Morehouse & Peter DeFreest – Mr. Morehouse wanted to bring out that the Warren Fire Department had a checking account that was established several years ago for when people gave donations to the department for responding to false alarms etc. This account was used for buying hats, shirts, donations to camp Tu Kum Ta, injured fireman, food for the annual meeting etc. They would like the Town to take over the administrative function but still wanted to retain control. Mr. Ackland commented that the account would be audited in the annual town audit. Mr. Morehouse would like to receive steps on the process of expenditures and donations. The board and Fire Department would like to have a clear legal understanding from the Town Attorney or the Town CPA regarding this.

Capital Campaign with Sugarbush – Sugarbush would like to move on the planning as stated in the MOU with the Warren Fire Department on the fund raising and launch it for the upcoming October homeowner weekend. This fund would be tax deductible donations received for purchasing fire apparatus. Mr. Smith commented that this needs to be well defined on what the charitable donation is being used for. It would not be comingled with the other account. Mr. Cunningham commented that at the next work group meeting a timeline need to establish to get moving on this.

8:00 PM – Slide Brook & Drumleys Resolution – Mr. Peff, Mr. Reynolds and Ms. Nichols from Drumleys came back to report as requested by the board. Mr. Reynolds reported that two weeks after that meeting, it was fairly quiet and then it started up on again on July 15 and 16. Mr. Peff explained he had a wedding party and that he tried to keep the people inside with the windows closed. He commented that he has been closing at 1:00am and that state law says 2:00 am and during the week has been closing at 10:00pm. The parties did not get together and come to a resolution. Drumleys does not want to see Mr. Peff go out of business but want to compromise on the noise. Mr. Ackland explained that it was Mr. Peff's responsibility to control his cliental whether it meant calling the VSP or Sherriff. Mr. Cunningham suggested that he put up a bond and tell his clients that if the VSP or sheriff is called that they lose their bonds. Mr. Ackland commented that maybe he should have some security guards. The board requested for a second time that both parties meet and come back to the board with a resolution in October.

8:20 PM – Civil Ordinance – Pay as you Throw Sold Waste Collection – State Mandated by the Agency of Natural Resources/ACT 148 - Clay Mays – Mr. Mays explained that it's a civil ordinance that needed to be signed by July 15 as Act 148 became law July 1. It is the State of Vermont's mechanism to reduce trash in the landfills. It is paying by the ton or bag and as the increase in volume of the trash the rate goes up.

All haulers including the property managers would have to register with the town. Mr. Ackland commented so how do the haulers manage it and know where it comes from. Mr. Mays commented that this new law is very vague and not well thought out. Mr. Cunningham commented that it is a nuisance ordinance that the state passed with no thought and passed the buck to the towns. He was totally against it.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to sign the Civil Ordinance, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE 4-1 (Mr. Cunningham voted against).

8:45 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the accounts Payable warrants as presented for \$116,172.44, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:50 PM – Approval of Payroll Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented for \$31,555.73, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:55 PM – Approval of Minutes for July 28, 2015 – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the Minutes of July 28, 2015, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

9:00 PM – Other Business

Appointment of new Conservation Commission Member: - Mr. Reed, Chair, of the Conservation Commission, sent over a recommendation to the Warren Selectboard to appoint Amy Polaczyk to the Commission. Ms. Crossman has stepped down from the Commission leaving a vacancy. The Warren Selectboard thanked Ms. Crossman for her service to the Conservation Commission and to the Town of Warren.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to appoint Ms. Polaczyk to fill the remainder of Ms. Crossman's term on the Warren Conservation Commission, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

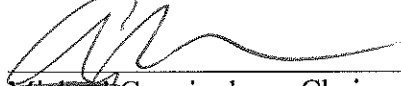
Planning Commission – Mr. Graves commented that the Planning Commission is working on Town Green, the VDAT Downtown Sidewalk Project, and the Town Plan on Energy Forest Fragmentation.

Trees – An email was received by Mr. Schipa on the Warren Tree Board in regard to the two trees that were cut downtown. One by the Roth Property and the cottonwood across the street. Mr. Cunningham reported that the tree by Roth property was taken down by Green Mountain Power as part of it came down and the rest was rotten. The cottonwood tree was cut by the owner, however, the owner, tree warden, zoning and the property manager all met and discussed the tree. The tree was rotten up the middle and the owner felt that from the limbs falling off the tree on to his structure was a liability and safety concern.

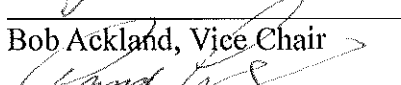
9:15 PM – Motion by Mr. Ackland to adjourn, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor:
VOTE: 5-0.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,
Cindi Hartshorn-Jones,
Warren Town Administrator

The Warren Selectboard



Michael Cunningham, Chair



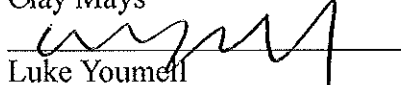
Bob Ackland, Vice Chair



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